

REMARKS:

The specification has been amended to change all references to FIG. 2 to FIGS. 2(a) and 2(b), and to change all references to FIG. 4 to FIGS. (4a) and 4(b), in accordance with the drawings.

This Amendment is being presented promptly after the discovery of the need therefor. This Amendment does not affect the scope of the claims and does not introduce any new matter.

CONCLUSION:

Wherefore, in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, this application is considered to be in condition for allowance, and an early consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

This Amendment does not increase the number of independent claims, does not increase the total number of claims, and does not present any multiple dependency claims. Accordingly, no fee based on the number or type of claims is currently due. However, if a fee, other than the issue fee, is due, please charge this fee to Sidley & Austin Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The following is a marked-up version of the changes to the title, abstract, specification, and claims which are being made in the attached Preliminary Amendment.

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The paragraph beginning at page 6, line 1, and ending at page 7, line 2:

FIG. 1 shows an active type AF;

[FIG. 2 shows] FIGS. 2(a) and 2(b) show the display in the finder of an active type AF;

FIG. 3 shows a passive type AF;

[FIG. 4 shows] FIGS. 4(a) and 4(b) show the display in the finder of a passive type AF;

FIG. 5 illustrates an unmeasurable distance measuring region;

FIG. 6 illustrates an unmeasurable distance measuring region;

FIG. 7 illustrates an unmeasurable distance measuring region;

FIG. 8 illustrates an unmeasurable distance measuring region;

FIG. 9 illustrates an unmeasurable distance measuring region;

FIG. 10 illustrates an unmeasurable distance measuring region;

FIG. 11 illustrates an unmeasurable distance measuring region;

FIG. 12 is a block diagram of the distance measuring device of the present invention;

FIG. 13 is a block diagram of another distance measuring device of the present invention; and

FIG. 14 is a flow chart of the operation of the distance measuring device of the present invention.

The paragraph at page 7, line 9:

FIGS. [1 and 2] 1, 2(a), and 2(b) show examples of an active AF.

The paragraph at page 8, line 19:

FIGS. [3 and 4] 3, 4(a), and 4(b) are examples of passive AF.